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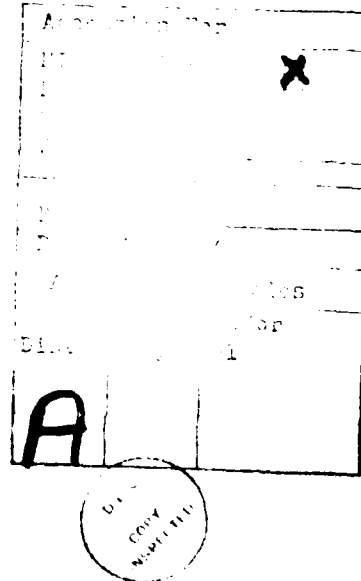
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The use of transition metal/titania systems has recently received considerable attention in two areas--photoassisted reactions at the gas-solid or liquid-solid interface and strong metal support (SMSI) interaction phenomena. As part of our continuing research on photoassisted reactions<sup>(1)</sup>, we have undertaken work to characterize the substrates we have been using in an effort to understand the role of SMSI effects. This paper reports part of that work.

The SMSI effect, which is characterized by a strongly reduced uptake of hydrogen and carbon monoxide on supported transition metals, (2) has recently drawn intense attention because of promising potential in controlling the activity and selectivity of catalysts. (3-5) The alteration of catalytic properties through interactions with the substrate is a very interesting approach to the development of promising catalytic materials for both conventional and photoassisted heterogeneous reactions.

In this paper we report studies of platinized oxides of titanium, including various forms of  $\text{TiO}_2$ ,  $\text{TiO}$  and  $\text{Ti}_2\text{O}_3$ . A variety of bulk and surface measurements are reported which provide some clarification of the nature of the interactions between platinum and the oxide supports.

## 2. EXPERIMENTAL

The  $\text{TiO}_2$  (reagent grade anatase, < 125  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter particles) was obtained from MCR.  $\text{Ti}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\text{TiO}$  powders (99+%, optical grade) were obtained from Alpha Products. Chloroplatinic acid,  $\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6$ , was prepared by dissolving Pt foil (99.99%) in aqua regia. Research grade  $\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{D}_2$  (98%) were obtained from Linde. Both were purified by passage through a 5A molecular sieve trap immersed in liquid nitrogen.

Two types of anatase were used as support materials: (1) as received from the manufacturer and (2) an  $\text{H}_2$  pretreated sample prepared by reducing the above anatase in flowing  $\text{H}_2$  (30 ml/min) at 875°C for 6 hr and denoted as  $\text{TiO}_2(\text{H}_2 \text{ pre})$ .

One set of 2 wt.% Pt catalysts was prepared by impregnating all the support powders with 0.1 N  $\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6$  solution. A second set was prepared by a photodecomposition method. (6) An oxidized form of the  $\text{TiO}_2(\text{H}_2 \text{ pre})$  catalyst was prepared exposing the reduced material to 550 Torr of  $\text{O}_2$  at 500°C for 17 hr.

Surface areas ( $\text{H}_2$  adsorption at 77 K) and  $\text{H}_2$  chemisorption measurements were carried out in a standard static volumetric apparatus. For the  $\text{H}_2$  uptake measurements, each sample was: (1) degassed for one hr at 200°C under dynamic vacuum of  $10^{-6}$  Torr, (2) reduced for 2 hr. with 550 Torr  $\text{H}_2$  at 200°C, (3) degassed again at 200°C for one hr., (4) cooled to room temperature under dynamic vacuum and (5) exposed to  $\text{H}_2$  for the uptake measurement. For one sample, the temperature in steps (1), (2) and (3) was raised to 400°C with no detectable effect on the  $\text{H}_2$  uptake isotherm. Therefore, 200°C was used routinely.

The  $\text{H}_2$ - $\text{D}_2$  isotope exchange studies were carried out in an evacuable, circulation-pumped system (230 ml volume) which was connected to a mass

Atomic composition ratios were calculated from peak-to-peak height ratios and tabulated atomic sensitivity factors.

spectrometer for reaction product analysis. The catalyst was spread uniformly on one face of a quartz reaction vessel (used in related photoassisted reactions) which was part of the circulation loop. In each exchange experiment, 1.1 Torr of an equimolar  $H_2$ - $D_2$  mixture was dosed into the reaction loop from a connected storage vessel.

Qualitative electrical conductivity measurements were made by pressing the powdered catalyst in a pellet die under 10,000 psi for 5 min. The electrical resistance of the pellet was determined by measuring the current through the pellet-die assembly when a fixed voltage was applied. The thickness and the cross-section of the pellet were measured so that the specific electrical conductivity could be calculated. These measurements have been used only for qualitative guidance.

The X-ray powder diffraction patterns were obtained with a conventional diffractometer (Phillips). The SEM studies utilized a model 35M-35C, JEOL system and the TEM and STEM measurements were done on a JEOL 100B system. For the TEM study, samples were dispersed on carbon-coated grids using a modified mixture of catalyst and collodion.

Energy loss electron spectra (ELS) and scanning Auger spectra (SAES) are taken with two Physical Electronics Industries (PHI) instruments. In the ELS studies, clean single pellets were pretreated in a reaction chamber attached to the spectrometer vacuum chamber. Conditions could be chosen to either clean or dose the sample. For these experiments, a  $H_2$  or  $D_2$  dose was used to hold the sample against a button heater. In cases where no sample heating was necessary, the powders were pressed into a pellet. The relative atomic compositions of the surface layers studied by ELS were calculated from the relative peak areas adjusted for atomic sensitivities taken from the PHI handbook. The SAES measurements were made in a background pressure of  $3 \times 10^{-9}$  Torr using a 3 KeV electron beam.

### 3.1.1. $H_2$ Adsorption Isotherms.

Table 1 lists a series of experiments and in this work, platinum and palladium catalysts of different sizes, including hydrogen treated and oxidized catalysts, were all used as prepared. As noted above, two platinum catalysts were used; impregnation (imp) and photoresistion (photo). As a standard for comparison and for measuring the performance of our apparatus, a commercial  $PdAl_2O_3$  sample was also included.

All the hydrogen adsorption isotherms were recorded at room temperature. Representative data are shown in Figs. 1a, b and the extent of the uptake of low pressures ( $< 1 \text{ atm}$ ) is tabulated in Table 1. Upon oxidation to  $H_2$ , curve (a) of Fig. 1 shows a strong chemisorption step while curve (b) does not. These two isotherms are typical of the kind of results which we observed; separation of Pt on preoxidized Ti by either the photoresistion or impregnation of the reduced impregnation procedure gives a sample which exhibits chemisorption significant in units of hydrogen whereas it is almost oxidized at high temperatures. Curve (b) is data for a platinum sample prepared by the photoresistion method and, just before the  $H_2$  uptake experiment, was exposed to  $O_2$  at 470°C and then evaluated at the same temperature. Curve (a) is for this same sample but after oxidation at 470°C. The normalized amount of chemisorbed hydrogen is 10  $\mu\text{mole/gm}^2$  of catalyst and corresponds to a H/Pt ratio of 1.2%. This is to be compared with a calculated H/Pt ratio of 0.11 based on an average Pt crystallite size of 170Å (STEM measurement described below) and the assumption of hemispherical particles. For reduced catalysts, STEM measurements indicate a slightly smaller particle size.

It is important to note here that strong  $H_2$  chemisorption is also found on Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> using titania that is neither pre-reduced nor oxidized before the

$H_2$  chemisorption experiment. This demonstrates that the strong chemisorption noted in the previous paragraph is not the result of clearing off impurities during oxidation.

Curves (c) and (d) of Fig. 1 are for platinum (by impregnation) samples of Ti<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and TiO respectively. They show no chemisorption step and follow the same uptake trends with increasing  $H_2$  pressure as the other samples.

The absence of a chemisorption step in the hydrogen uptake is a characteristic feature of  $\gamma\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ . However, it is significant to note here that XPS indicates that the surfaces of all of the  $\gamma$ -materials are oxidized to TiO<sub>2</sub>. Since the support materials are all exposed to air before platinization and since the reduced surfaces are relatively easily oxidized as shown by EPR(7), XPS of powdered  $\gamma$ -Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> at room temperature, it is not surprising that the surfaces were all found by XPS to be TiO<sub>2</sub>. The implication is that  $\gamma$ -Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> properties are present even when the  $\gamma$ -oxide layer is reduced even when the support layers are fully oxidized. This will be discussed further below.

Figure 2 shows, as a function, the  $H_2$  uptake for various sizes in the absence of Pt. As expected there is no chemisorption, only the slowly rising uptake typical of hydrogen on non-oxides and very low coverage what is seen in Fig. 1 for the platinized forms. The only inference is that the slow uptake is somewhat more extensive in the presence of Pt. This is supported by infrared measurements, measurements to be reported elsewhere(10) which show that surface OH is formed upon exposure of platinized titania to  $H_2$ . We take this to mean that Pt promotes dissociative adsorption of hydrogen even when it is in a state that does not allow a sizeable surface concentration to develop and that migration from Pt to the oxides of titanium occurs, i.e., spillover.

Returning to a consideration of curves (a) and (b) of Fig. 1, we note



that the uptake of hydrogen at 440 Torr corresponds roughly to a coverage of one monolayer over the oxide surface based on a net surface area of 10 m<sup>2</sup> g<sup>-1</sup> and a one monolayer concentration of 10<sup>19</sup> m<sup>-2</sup>. The following isotherms shown in Figs. 1 and 2 are reversible. After evacuating the system overnight at room temperature and 10<sup>-6</sup> Torr, reducing with hydrogen gave the same slowly rising uptake curve. The strongly exothermic hydrogen (10 mole/gm in Fig. 1a) should be completely recovered by cooling the catalyst to 400°C for one hour. A significant fraction, but certainly not all, of it was desorbed by heating at 400°C for one hour and no desorption was noted during one hour heating at either 10<sup>-6</sup> or 10<sup>-3</sup> Torr.

The inset of Fig. 2 shows the results of a control experiment with a commercial Pt/A<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst (Wako Pure Ind., Ltd.) according to the manufacturer, (iii) a dispersion of 0.4%. Our results, extrapolated to zero pressure, give 0.37 which we regard as acceptable agreement.

### 3.2 Catalyst characterization by spectroscopic methods.

X-ray diffraction data are given in Table 1. Prior to the H<sub>2</sub> treatment the x-ray powder diffraction pattern was dominated by anatase peaks at 2θ values of 25.26°, 36.96°, 37.76°, 38.56°, and 48.10° and no rutile peak were found. After reduction, rutile peaks appeared at 27.49°, 36.74°, 38.29°, 41.36° and 44.04°. Even though these samples were dominated by rutile, we note that samples dominated either by rutile or anatase show strong hydrogen chemisorption provided the substrate is oxidized. For example, Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> formed from reduced TiO<sub>2</sub> is dominated by anatase and shows the same hydrogen uptake as a heavily reduced Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> that is reoxidized (dominated by rutile). Additional peaks, which we attribute to Ti<sub>9</sub>O<sub>17</sub> appear in the spectra for samples 2 and 4, i.e. at 26.64°, 28.18°, 35.16° and 35.86° (not resolved). Upon oxidation, these Ti<sub>9</sub>O<sub>17</sub> peaks disappear.

Small peaks due to Pt crystallites were observable for all of the platinumized samples. Judging from the intensity and apparent widths of these

peaks, we are inclined to think that the loading is 2 wt% Pt in each case, we conclude that these catalytic samples are oxidized to Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>. The Pt peaks in samples 9 and 11 indicate deposition is somewhat higher than for the samples containing TiO<sub>2</sub>.

It is important to note that the light blue color of the x-ray peaks due to bulk Ti<sub>9</sub>O<sub>17</sub> which appear when TiO<sub>2</sub> is treated with H<sub>2</sub> are very stable in room temperature air and upon purification by either reprecipitation or photo-reduction. Oxidation (550 Torr O<sub>2</sub>, 100°C, 12 hr) of only removes the Ti<sub>9</sub>O<sub>17</sub> x-ray peaks but also removes the blue color; in the absence of Pt the sample becomes white while in the presence of Pt it becomes golden brown. The former color is characteristic of Ti<sub>9</sub>O<sub>17</sub> reduced to rutile, TiO<sub>2</sub>, and the latter is characteristic of oxidized Pt.

TEM measurements on the Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> by pre-adsorbed Pt joined by the photo-reduction and reprecipitation methods, indicate a broad range of Pt crystallite sizes from 10 to several thousand Å. TEM measurements show similar results. Particle concentration as Pt was made by varying dispersion x-ray intensity. Taken together the TEM and Pt data show that the particle size distribution is broad. The average particle size is estimated as 100 Å and the dispersion by the photo-reduction method is, at most, only slightly higher than with the reprecipitation method.

TEM measurements indicate that oxidizing the Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>, for example, sample (n) of Fig. 1, is accompanied by very little change in the Pt particle size distribution. TEM measurements on the same sample were inconclusive because the contrast between Pt and the oxide was very poor.

X-ray photoelectron spectra (XPS) were taken to identify the surface composition and chemical environment. Six samples were investigated: (1) TiO<sub>2</sub> (anatase), (2) Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub> pre), (3) oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub> pre), (4) Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>, (5) Pt/TiO and (6) Pt/A<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. Some of these were examined after reduction in H<sub>2</sub> for 2 hr at either 200 or 500°C in the photoelectron

spectroscopic reaction chamber. A cell was used to examine the Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> and Pt/TiO samples.

The results, summarized in Table 2 indicate a relatively large amount of surface carbon is present in every case although the Ti/Ti ratio is constant for the TiO<sub>2</sub> and TiO samples. This surface carbon, which we were unable to reduce significantly by pretreatment in the reaction chamber, did not interfere with hydrogen chemisorption on the Pt/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub> pre) samples. Moreover, samples using TiO and TiO<sub>2</sub> which have smaller relative amounts of surface carbon (based on SMS results and probably due to overnight purging before taking spectra), show very little chemisorption of hydrogen at low pre cover. This evidence is consistent with notion that the presence of surface carbon is not correlated with H<sub>2</sub> chemisorption. We take this to mean that most of the carbon is on the oxide support.

Other plausible poisons, including sulfur, phosphorus and chlorine, may also be ruled out as controlling the nature of the H<sub>2</sub> absorption in these experiments. This is supported by the XPS data for which both the oxidized and not oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub> pre) samples show none of these species but their H<sub>2</sub> chemisorption properties are very different.

The binding energies shown in Table 2 are all referenced to the C(1s) signal which was set at 284.6 eV after initial calibration using the Au(4f<sub>7/2</sub>) peak at 87.8 eV. The carbon 1s binding energy was first determined as 284.6 eV using a pellet of titania coated with carbon-containing material as a result of pressing it with paraffin paper on the die faces. In the absence of this carbon XPS gave a much lower C(1s) intensity at the same BE.

The Ti(2p<sub>3/2</sub>) BE's listed in Table 2 all lie within a 1 eV region and the shifts do not correlate with SMSI behavior. For example, the BE of the surface Ti(2p<sub>3/2</sub>) is 458.9 eV for both Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> (catalyst F) which shows the

SMSI property and for oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> (H<sub>2</sub> pre) (catalyst B) which does not show the SMSI property. The bulk of all the TiO and TiO<sub>2</sub> samples is definitely dominated by Ti<sup>2+</sup> and Ti<sup>3+</sup> respectively (XPS data) while the surface is oxidized to Ti<sup>4+</sup>. Sayre and Atkinson (12) reported that the binding energy shift,  $\Delta BE = 0.10 \text{ eV/Ti}_{1/2}$ , depends on the oxidation state of Ti but is nearly independent of the particular form of the titanic oxides. They find for TiO<sub>2</sub> samples,  $\Delta BE = 0.15 \pm 0.4 \text{ eV}$ , while for TiO and TiO samples, the values are  $0.14 \pm 0.4 \text{ eV}$  and  $0.07 \pm 0.3 \text{ eV}$ , respectively. Our results give  $\Delta BE = 0.13 \pm 0.2 \text{ eV}$  for platinumed catalysts with and without SMSI property (B to H, Table 2) indicating that there are no detectable Ti<sup>2+</sup> or Ti<sup>3+</sup> species present on the surfaces of these Pt catalysts thereby the SMSI property. We conclude that there is no reduction in the Ti<sup>2+</sup> effect and the oxidation state of the detectable surface Ti<sup>2+</sup>.

High resolution XPS spectra (25 eV pass energy) with an analyzer resolution of  $\Delta E = 0.4 \text{ eV}$  of catalysts with (C, F and H) and without (B) the SMSI property are shown in Fig. 3. The peak positions and half-widths are given in Table 2. Reduction does not lead to a significant increase in FWHM of the Ti(2p<sub>3/2</sub>) peak; rather a decrease from 1.53 to 1.44 eV is found as indicated in Table 2, samples B and C. Thus, there is no evidence for mixed Ti states upon reduction. We attribute the linewidth variations to changes in surface heterogeneity.

Figure 4 shows XPS for the Pt(4f) region of materials with (E, F and H) and without (B) SMSI behavior. The BE's range from 70.5 to 71.1 eV with no correlation with the SMSI property. Catalyst F, with SMSI, has a Pt(4f<sub>7/2</sub>) BE of 70.9 eV while catalyst B, non-SMSI, has a peak at 71.1 eV.

The surface atomic Pt/Ti ratios calculated from the XPS peak areas are also listed in Table 2. The results indicate that the SMSI property is not due to diffusion of Pt into the subsurface during reduction. Materials with SMSI behavior (C, E, F and H) show Pt/Ti between 0.06 and 0.36 clearly

indicating that a significant amount of Pt is present on the surface. The results from XPS also confirm this point although their values (Table 2, Catalysts I and J) are somewhat different from the XPS results. Comparing B and C in Table 2 shows that the Pt/Ti ratio does decrease from 0.11 to 0.07 upon reduction at 500°C but this loss cannot account for the total depression of measurable  $H_2$  chemisorption that is observed. In fact, the observed loss is almost within the limits of our ability to detect a significant change in the surface Pt concentration. With reduction, changes in surface morphology (roughness) and changes in surface contamination can account for the observed Pt/Ti variations.

### 3.3 $H_2$ -D<sub>2</sub> Isotope Exchange.

The results of exposing the catalyst to an equimolar mixture of hydrogen and deuterium are summarized in Table 3 using a concentration function in the form of the equilibrium constant. As thermodynamic equilibrium is approached, the value of this function will increase. The values were calculated from mass spectrometric peak heights assuming no difference in sensitivity among the isotopic forms of molecular hydrogen.

The results are very informative in the sense that none of the Pt-free substrates shows much activity for the exchange. On the other hand, all of the platinized catalysts exhibit very rapid exchange and the rate of approach to equilibrium is at least as fast for the Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre, photo) as it is for the unreduced Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>. Even though the former shows no chemisorption, while the latter does, both readily catalyze the H-for-D exchange reaction. We take this as evidence for the ready dissociation of hydrogen by Pt on both samples with a much more rapid desorption on the former. The same kind of process is proposed to account for the relatively rapid isotope exchange on both Pt/TiO and Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>, neither of which shows any measurable chemisorption of hydrogen at room temperature. The observation of rapid isotope exchange also supports the conclusion drawn in section 3.2 that the relatively large amounts of surface carbon detected by XPS are located primarily on the oxide support and do not interfere with hydrogen adsorption at Pt sites.

It is important to consider the possibility that the exchange reaction is catalyzed by a small number of Pt sites in contact with TiO<sub>2</sub>, i.e. only a small fraction of the total amount of Pt is active for the dissociation of  $H_2$ . If this is the case, then the observed exchange rate per site is extremely fast and exceeds the rate on Pt which shows strong chemisorption of hydrogen. Although we do not favor this model, it is a possibility if

the interaction between Pt and the underlying  $\text{TiO}_2$  activates certain of the Pt atoms.

#### 3.4 Electrical Conductivity Measurements.

The results for electrical conductivity and surface area are summarized in Table 3. The starting material (A) has a specific electrical conductivity of less than  $2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ ohm}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . This increases by more than two orders of magnitude after heating in hydrogen for 17 hr at 875°C, sample C. Sample B is the same material as C except it was carried through the photoplatinization procedure without using any  $\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6$  in the solution. Platinization of C gives a sample D which has lower specific electrical conductivity,  $4.7 \times 10^{-10} \text{ ohm}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Our reproducibility is about  $\pm 20\%$ , compare D and E, so this change is significant. Comparing the pairs F, G and H, I, indicates that platinization reduces the specific electrical conductivity of  $\text{TiO}$  and  $\text{Ti}_2\text{O}_3$  samples by about one order of magnitude. We attribute these decreases to electrons being tied up at surface Pt particles, or species attached to the Pt, thereby decreasing the conduction electron density. With these measurements alone, we cannot rule out the possibility that conductivity changes are the result of variations in either particle-particle contact resistance or charge localization at species chemisorbed on Pt. However, taken with the other data presented here, an internally consistent model involves localization of charge on Pt particles when the underlying oxide is reduced.

#### 4. DISCUSSION

As noted above, the  $\text{H}_2$  uptake data, the XRD patterns, the isotope exchange rates, the XPS and SACS data, the electron microscopy results and the electrical conductivity data are all consistent with a model in which the SMSI behavior is dependent upon the ability of the support to donate electrons to the Pt particles. We discuss here in more detail our views about the requirement of bulk reduction in order to observe SMSI and why catalysts which do not accumulate significant coverages of dissociated hydrogen nevertheless exchange hydrogen isotopes very rapidly.

The inability to detect measurable amounts of  $\text{Ti}^{2+}$  or  $\text{Ti}^{3+}$  species by XPS on  $\text{TiO}$ ,  $\text{Ti}_2\text{O}_3$  or  $\text{TiO}_2(\text{H}_2 \text{ pre})$  surfaces exposed to air at room temperature (Section 3.2), all of which show SMSI behavior, suggests that electron transfer occurs from reduced subsurface regions to Pt crystallites through a thin barrier layer of  $\text{TiO}_2$ . Without significant bulk conductivity, it is difficult to explain the observed effects in terms of Pt- $\text{Ti}^{n+}$  metal-metal bonds ( $n < 4$ ) because the surface is oxidized before the Pt is deposited. Consequently, differences in the subsurface (bulk) regions of these materials may play a key role. This bulk conductivity model correlates the SMSI and electrical conductivity data quite well, particularly when we keep in mind the XRD and XPS results. The electrical conductivity decreases in  $\text{TiO}_2(\text{H}_2 \text{ pre})$ ,  $\text{Ti}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\text{TiO}$  when platinized while it increases in  $\text{TiO}_2$ . The SMSI effect follows the same pattern.

Using ESR to detect  $\text{Ti}^{3+}$ , Huizinga and Prins (13) studied the surface reduction of  $\text{Pt/TiO}_2$  at 300°C and 500°C finding reversibility at the lower but not the higher temperature. They attribute this to the formation of microcrystals of  $\text{Ti}_4\text{O}_7$  formed at the higher temperature as the result of dehydration. Since SMSI behavior is observed after 500°C, but not 300°C, reduction (2), we infer that local low temperature surface reduction of

titanium by spillover of H to form  $Ti^{3+}$  and  $OH^-$  is not the source of the SMSI behavior. The irreversible formation of  $Ti_4O_7$  or  $Ti_9O_{17}$  microcrystals (i.e. bulk reduction) at the higher temperatures is consistent with the ESR data and the observed SMSI character. Huizinga and Prins (13) suggest that the appearance of these crystallites near the surface leads to morphological and electronic structure changes in the Pt particles as proposed by others (2,14). In related work, Apple et al. (15) report that strong  $H_2$  chemisorption is found by NMR for  $Ru/TiO_2$  catalysts with both large and small ESR signals due to  $Ti^{3+}$ . Since, for their conditions, surface reduction would dominate, we infer that the presence of significant surface  $Ti^{3+}$  concentrations does not guarantee SMSI behavior. Our results are also consistent with a model requiring more than surface  $Ti^{3+}$ . Indeed, recent ESR work in our laboratory (16) shows that the SMSI property is correlated with the presence of bulk  $Ti^{3+}$  signals that are not subject to reversible formation/removal upon exposure/evacuation of  $H_2$  at around room temperature.

The isotope exchange and  $H_2$  uptake data suggest that the dissociative reaction probabilities are about the same on SMSI and non-SMSI catalysts. The heats of adsorption are, however, significantly different, the SMSI catalysts having lower values. A more quantitative description could be developed using a Langmuir isotherm formulation but our data does not permit a quantitative evaluation. Figure 5a shows schematically how  $H_2$  interacts with a Pt catalyst which does not exhibit SMSI. There is a small activation energy,  $E_{a1}$ , for dissociative adsorption and a rather large activation energy,  $E_{d1}$ , for desorption. The high value of the latter favors a high surface coverage at equilibrium and temperatures near 25°C. Rapid isotope exchange in the  $H_2$ - $D_2$  equilibration is the result of high surface coverages compensating partially for the relatively high activation energy of desorption. In the SMSI case, Fig. 5b, the activation energy for dissociative adsorption,  $E_{a2}$ , is assumed to be about equal to  $E_{d1}$  but the

heat of adsorption,  $E_{a2}$ , is taken to be much smaller than  $E_{d1}$ . Here, low hydrogen coverages at equilibrium are expected, as observed. The unfavorable effect of low hydrogen coverage on the isotope exchange rate is compensated by the low energy required for desorption. In fact, we should not be surprised to find exchange rates proceeding more rapidly on the SMSI materials; the lifetime of a hydrogen atom on the surface is shorter but the dissociative adsorption probability at zero coverage is about the same with the model of Fig. 9. Consequently, the steady state rate of adsorption, and the rate of exchange, will be more rapid for the SMSI case.

Shorter residence times for H atoms on SMSI surfaces have been proposed by Tauster et al. (17) to account for the higher activity and selectivity of  $Ni/TiO_2$  as compared with  $Ni/SiO_2$  or  $Ni/Al_2O_3$ , for Fischer-Tropsch synthesis. The model of Fig. 5 can account for these differences. The shorter lifetime is beneficial to higher activity so long as it is long enough to allow the reaction of interest to compete effectively with other reactions.

In agreement with Baker et al. (14), who used TFM, our results using XRD and TDM indicate that SMSI is not the result of agglomeration of Pt during various treatments. Neither surface impurity poisons nor diffusion of Pt into subsurface regions are significant contributors to the SMSI effect according to our XPS,  $H_2$  uptake and  $H_2$ - $D_2$  exchange results.

Tauster et al. (17) have suggested that the degree of SMSI effect reached depends upon the ease with which the metal oxide is reduced to provide electron rich cations at the surface which form metal-metal bonds with deposited Group VIII metals like Pt. Our results are consistent, in part, with this model. However, we favor a model in which attention is focussed on the reduction of the bulk which supplies electrons to the adsorbed Pt and lowers their ability to bind atomic hydrogen. A slight change in the language, will bring the two models into agreement. In

selecting materials for an SMSI effect, we propose choosing a support with relatively high electrical conductivity and a work function lower than the deposited metal. To achieve n-type electrical conductivity in typical metal oxides, reduction to remove lattice oxygen must be carried out. The more readily this occurs, the stronger the SMSI effect. By reduction, not only is the conductivity changed, the work function also decreases as the Fermi level moves toward the bottom of the conduction band. For charge transfer from support to Pt upon platinization, the work function of the support must be smaller than that of the metal, i.e. the highest occupied levels of the support lie above the highest occupied levels of the Pt before contacting the two. Materials with low conductivity will not show SMSI unless dopants supplying charge carriers to the conduction band are introduced.

Although p-type semiconductors can be included in this description, electron transfer to Pt from the support will require a "hopping" scheme from one acceptor site to another. Consequently, relatively high doping, to bring these sites close enough for orbital overlap, is required. For n-type material, the conduction band is utilized, so all one needs is thermal excitation into the conduction band and tunneling through the contact barrier at the support/metal interface, i.e. at the  $\text{TiO}_2/\text{Pt}$  junction.

Supporting evidence based on electrical conductivity and type of charge carrier is given in Table 4. We agree completely with Tauster et al. (17) in considering the oxides which show SMSI; however, our description is somewhat broader and includes materials which are not easily reduced. For example, SiC is not in the oxide category and is not readily reduced. (18) In a separate study, (19) we have found SMSI behavior for Pt/SiC and an increased  $\text{H}_2$ -D<sub>2</sub> exchange rate upon platinization. This is consistent with our model and suggests that metal-metal bond formation is not a necessary condition for observing SMSI behavior.

Other  $\text{H}_2$  uptake studies (20) also support the importance of the bulk

electrical conductivity and Fermi level position in SMSI. For example, no SMSI property is observed for the  $\text{Pt/TiO}_2$  system if the titania is pretreated in flowing  $\text{H}_2$  for 6 hr at 700°C and then platinized. As in the work reported here, we expect the surface to reoxidize during platinization and/or exposure to air. The absence of SMSI then suggests that the reduction process did not increase the bulk conductivity sufficiently and/or did not raise the Fermi level of the titania to a value high enough to permit charge transfer. Note that the work functions of undoped  $\text{TiO}_2$  and Pt are 6.2 eV (21) and 5.7 eV (22), respectively.

We have also observed electron transfer from Pt to rutile by measuring the electrical properties (I, V, R and C) of a thin film of Pt deposited on single crystal rutile, pretreated in flowing  $\text{H}_2$  for 1 hr at 500°C. (19)

The bulk effect charge transfer model suggested here is not new. Baddour and Delbert (23) proposed a similar model in 1966 to explain the promotion of Ni supported on Ge in the catalysis of formic acid decomposition. In another important contribution, Solymosi (24) has reviewed the catalytic importance of the electrical properties of supports. The implication of the bulk conductivity model for electron transfer is that as the metal crystallite or cluster size becomes smaller, the surface charge density will increase. This may account for the different catalytic behavior and the observed resistance to sintering for smaller particles. (25) Our model emphasizes the importance of electron transfer from the bulk of the support to the metal as the key for SMSI behavior. Electron transfer through interfacial metal-metal bonds or through tunneling, as described above, can result in SMSI effects. The negatively charged metal particles will tend to increase their surface areas to reduce their surface charge densities. The expected morphological changes have been observed by Baker, et al. (14) who found a tendency towards flatter pill-box Pt structures when  $\text{Pt/TiO}_2$  was reduced at elevated temperatures.

Prior to reduction or after oxidation, the Pt particles had hemispherical shapes. We have found similar morphology differences; (26)  $\text{Pt/TiO}_2$  shows hemispherical Pt particles,  $\text{Pt/TiO}_2$  shows polyhedral particles, and  $\text{Pt/TiO}$  shows raft-like particles.

One SMSI support which appears to fall completely outside the proposed selection rule is  $\text{MnO}$ ; the reason is not clear, but it is worth noting that nonstoichiometric  $\text{MnO}$  is a semiconductor<sup>(27)</sup> while, in stoichiometric form it is an insulator.<sup>(17,28)</sup> Further study is required to clear up this question.

Speculation about the formation of mixed metal oxides in SMSI systems is not warranted here but it does deserve additional study. However, we note that the formation of mixed metal oxides typically requires an oxidizing environment in excess of 500°C. In order to avoid their formation and the possibility of significant impurity and/or diffusion of metal catalyst into the bulk of the support<sup>(29,30)</sup>, our catalysts never encounter a temperature higher than 500°C, during or after platinization, so such mixed metal oxide effects are not likely to contribute significantly.

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Table 1. Summary of the Properties of Representative Samples.

Sample	H <sub>2</sub> uptake (mmole/gm)	Dispersion H <sub>2</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> Exchange	X-ray Powder Data	Average Pt Particle Size
1. TiO <sub>2</sub>	0	--(a)	inactive	Ana (b)
2. TiO <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> pre)	0	--	inactive	Ana, Rut, Ti <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>917</sup>
3. Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (imp)	10	0.20	active	Pt, Ana, Rut
4. Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> pre, imp)	0	--	active	Pt, Ana, Rut, Ti <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>917</sup>
5. Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub>	10	0.20	active	Pt, Ana, Rut
6. Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> pre, photo)	0	--	active	100 A
7. Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub>	10	0.20	active	>100 A
8. TiO <sub>2</sub>	0	--	inactive	Ti <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
9. Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (imp)	0	--	active	Pt, Ti <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
10. TiO	0	--	inactive	TiO
11. Pt/TiO(imp)	0	--	inactive	Pt, TiO
12. 5 wt.% Pt/Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	100	0.37	active	Pt, Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>

Notes: a. (--) in the dispersion column indicates that this parameter can not be determined from hydrogen adsorption.

b. Ana = anatase, Rut = rutile, pre = pre-reduction, imp = impregnation.

c. (----) in Pt particle size column indicates that this parameter was not determined.



Table 3. Surface Area, Electrical Conductivity and Isotope Exchange Data

No	Sample	Surface Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Specific Electrical Conductivity (ohm <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-1</sup> )	25 sec	60 sec	300 sec	Temperature
A	TiO <sub>2</sub> 0.35 gm	4.55	$<2.0 \times 10^{-11}$	$10^{-3}$	0.006	0.017	200°C
				0.00	0.00	0.00	100°C
				0.00	0.00	0.00	25°C
B	TiO <sub>2</sub> (a*)	3.7	$10^{-9}$				
C	TiO <sub>2</sub> (a) 0.35 gm	3.85	$2.4 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-3}$	0.12	0.21	200°C
				0.00	0.00	0.00	100°C
				0.00	0.00	0.00	25°C
D	Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a) 0.35 gm	3.85	$4.7 \times 10^{-10}$	$1.20 \pm 0.02$	$2.8 \pm 0.2$	$3.31 \pm 0.01$	200°C
				$1.05 \pm 0.05$	$2.51 \pm 0.03$	$3.20 \pm 0.02$	100°C
				$1.01 \pm 0.01$	$2.30 \pm 0.10$	$3.07 \pm 0.05$	25°C
E	Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> 0.35 gm	3.85	$5.0 \times 10^{-10}$	$1.18 \pm 0.02$	$2.4 \pm 0.2$	$3.1 \pm 0.1$	200°C
				$0.82 \pm 0.02$	$2.0 \pm 0.1$	$2.97 \pm 0.01$	100°C
				$0.71 \pm 0.01$	$1.82 \pm 0.01$	$2.72 \pm 0.01$	25°C
F	TiO 0.11 gm	3.85	$1.2 \times 10^{-1}$	$10^{-4}$	$5.4 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-2}$	200°C
				0.00	0.00	0.00	100°C
				0.00	0.00	0.00	25°C
G	Pt/TiO 0.11 gm	3.85	$3.4 \times 10^{-3}$	1.3	$2.82 \pm 0.04$	$3.6 \pm 0.1$	200°C
				$1.1 \pm 0.01$	$2.61 \pm 0.03$	$3.49 \pm 0.02$	100°C
				$0.9 \pm 0.1$	$2.22 \pm 0.03$	$3.45 \pm 0.02$	25°C
H	TiO <sub>2</sub> 0.25 gm		$6.1 \times 10^{-3}$		Not Done		200°C
					Not Done		100°C
					Not Done		25°C
I	Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> 0.25 gm		$6.2 \times 10^{-4}$		Not Done		200°C
					Not Done		100°C
					Not Done		25°C
				$0.71 \pm 0.09$	$2.33 \pm 0.02$	$3.3 \pm 0.1$	25°C

(a) is TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre)(a\*) is TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre) treated using photoreduction conditions but without adding H<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>6</sub>.

Table 2. Surface composition and XPS Binding Energies.

No	Sample	Treatment	BE/eV	Surface Atomic Ratio	Minor Surface Contaminant
A	TiO <sub>2</sub> (anatase)	Dec. used at 25°C	459.0	529.7	0.00
B	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
C	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
D	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
E	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
F	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
G	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
H	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
I	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
J	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
K	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
L	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
M	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
N	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
O	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
P	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
Q	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
R	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
S	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
T	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
U	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
V	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
W	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
X	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
Y	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60
Z	Oxidized Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> (a)	Dec. used at 25°C	458.9 (1.83)	530.0 (1.1)	3.60

(a) The pellet was prepared with paraffin paper as described in the text.

(b) Y = Not detectable.

(c) \* = SMSI property (strongly reduced H<sub>2</sub> chemisorption) is known to be present for this material.

(d) Full width at half maximum in eV.

Table 4.

The correlation of SMSI behavior with electronic properties of supports.

Support Material	Carrier Type	Electrical Conductivity $\text{ohm}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$	SMSI	Reference
TiO	Metal	$10^{-1}$	Y	a
Ti <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	n	$10^{-3}$	Y	a
TiO <sub>2</sub>	n	$10^{-11}$	N	a
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	n	$10^{-1}$ (200°C)	Y	17
V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Metal	$10^{+3}$	Y	17, 31
HfO <sub>2</sub>	p	$10^{-5}$ (400°C)	N	17, 31
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	p	$10^{-5}$ (400°C)	N	17
Sc <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	p	$10^{-7}$ (650°C)	N	17, 31
MgO	n	$10^{-12}$	N	17, 31
SiO <sub>2</sub>	Insul <sup>b</sup>	$10^{-12}$	N	17, 31
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Insul	$10^{-12}$	N	17, 31
SiC	Metal	$10^{-3}$	Y	19

(a) This paper.

(b) Insulator

## FIGURE CAPTIONS

Figure 1. H<sub>2</sub> uptake curves for platinized titanium oxides. (a) oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre), (b) Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre), (c) Pt/Ti<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, (d) Pt/TiO.

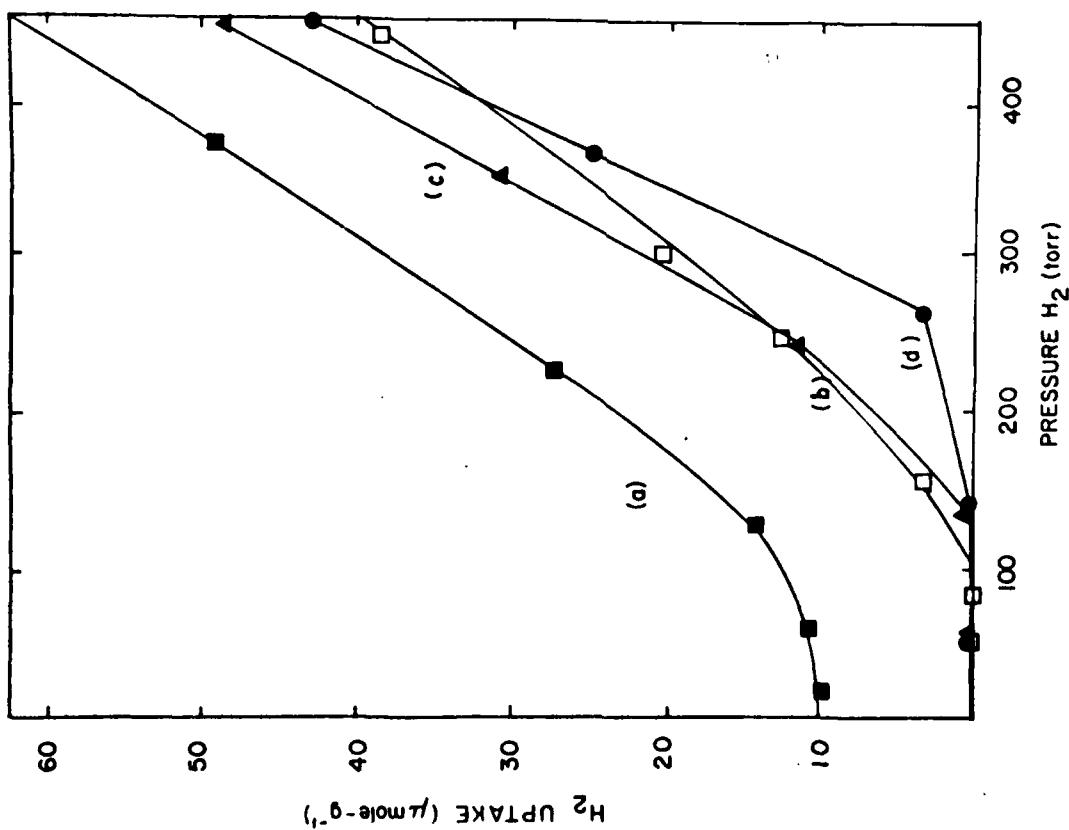
Figure 2. H<sub>2</sub> uptake curves for titanium oxides. (a) TiO<sub>2</sub>, (b) Ti<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, (c) TiO.

Insert is H<sub>2</sub> uptake curve for 5% Pt/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and the axes plot the same variables as the larger figure.

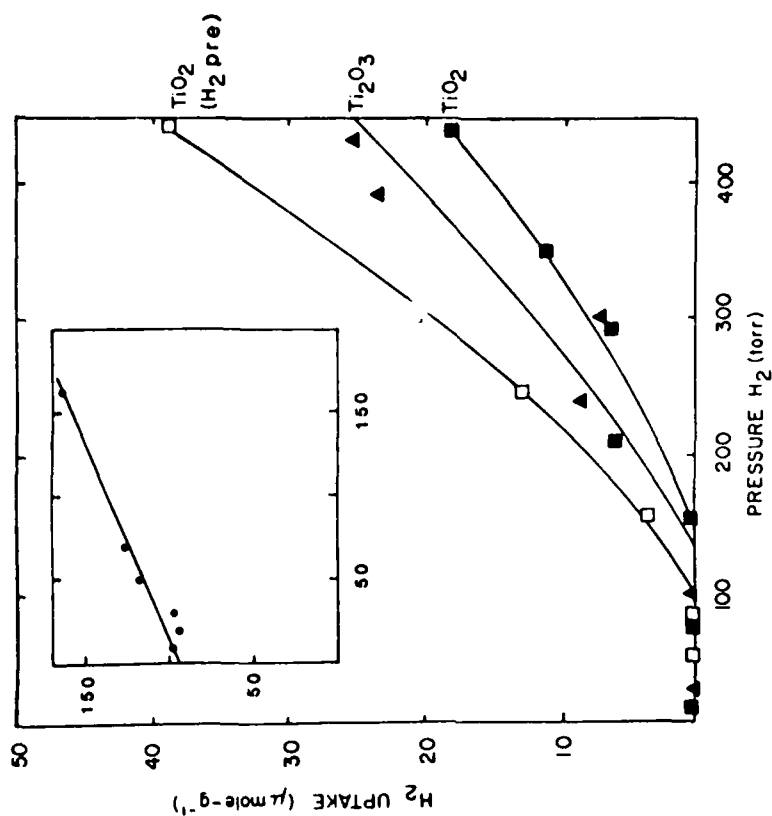
Figure 3. Ti(2p) XPS spectra for some of the systems listed in Table 2. (a) Oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre). (b) Pt/Ti<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> reduction at 200°C. (c) Oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre), reduced in-situ at 500°C. (d) Pt/TiO, H<sub>2</sub> reduction at 200°C. (e) Pt/Ti<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> reduction at 500°C.

Figure 4. Pt(4f) XPS spectra for some of the systems of Table 2. (a) Oxidized Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre), 50 eV pass energy. (b) Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub> pre), H<sub>2</sub> reduction at 200°C, 50 eV pass energy. (c) Pt/Ti<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> reduction at 200°C, 25 eV pass energy. (d) Pt/TiO, H<sub>2</sub> reduction at 200°C, 25 eV pass energy.

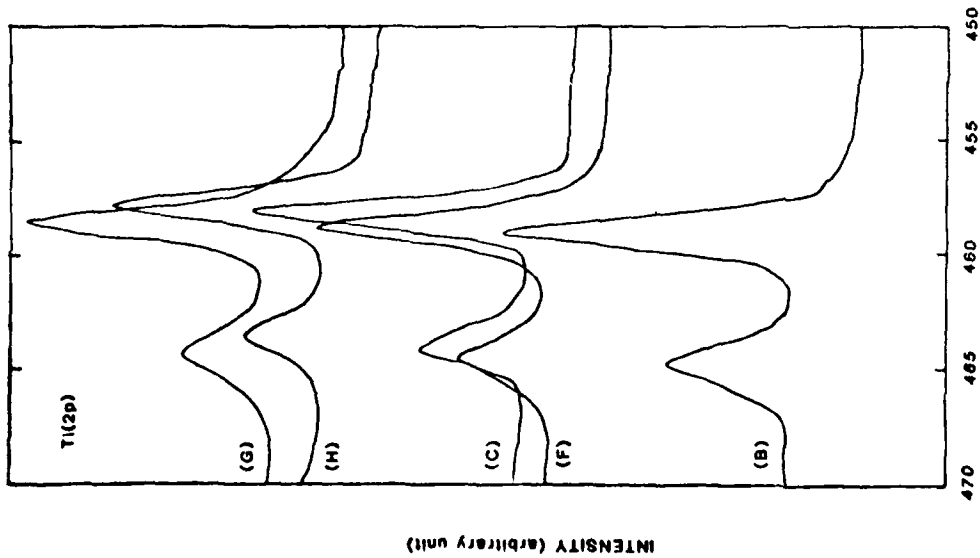
Figure 5. Schematic reaction profiles for H<sub>2</sub> interacting with Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> systems without, (a), and with, (b), the SMSI property.



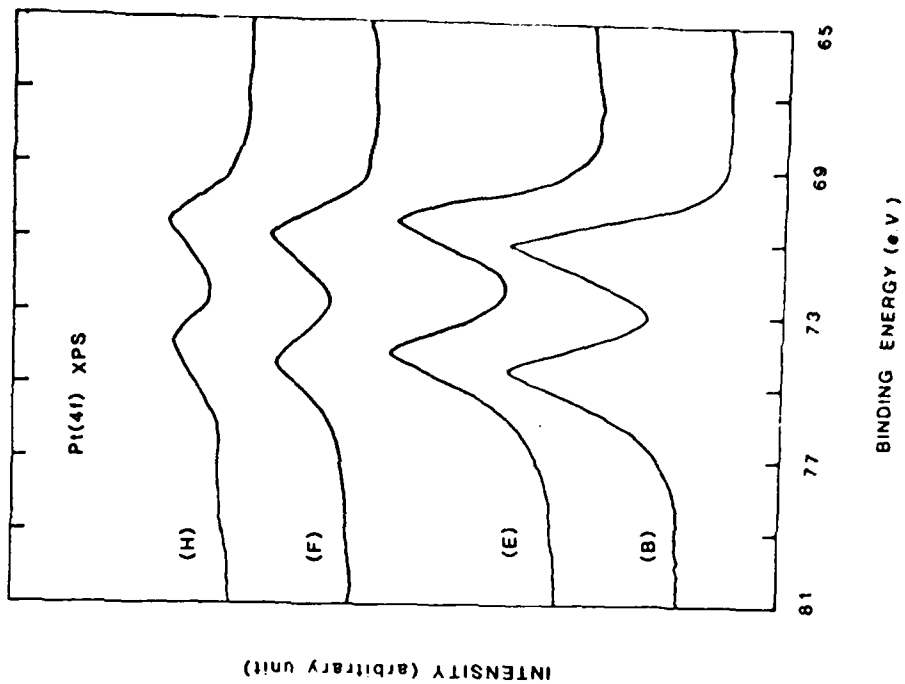
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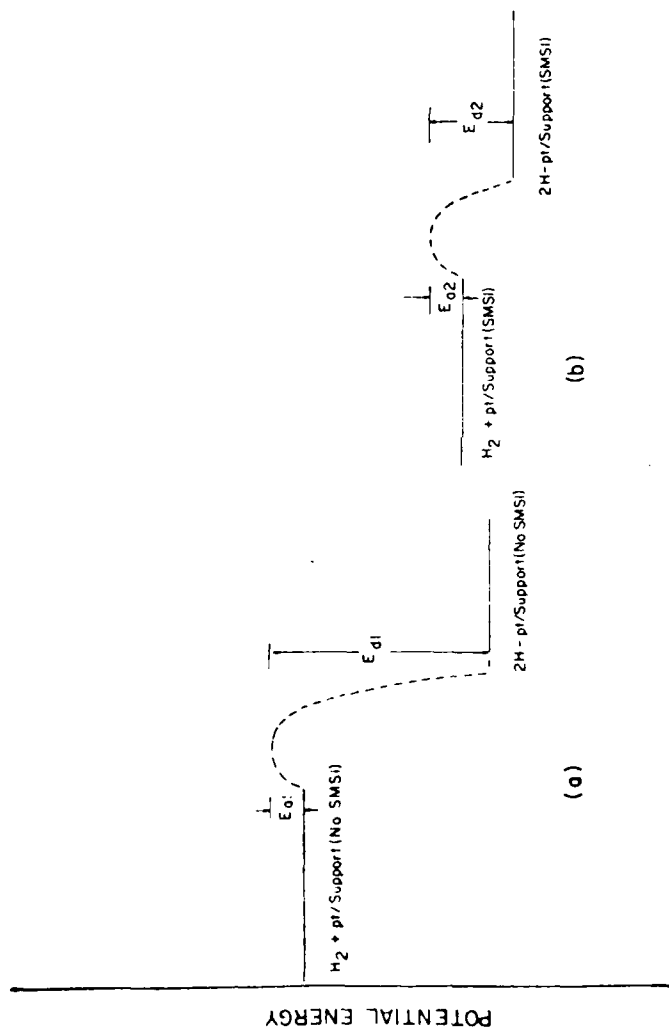
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